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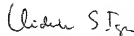
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A SYSTEM FOR PRODUCTION OF HYDROGEN WITH METAL HYDRIDE AND A METHOD

the application of which
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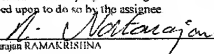
Whereas, I/We, Natarajan RAMAKRISHNA of Bangalore, INDIA, hereinafter called assignor(s), have invented certain improvements in A SYSTEM FOR PRODUCTION OF HYDROGEN WITH METAL HYDRIDE AND A METHOD and executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor on July 18, 2005, the Application having been allocated US Application Serial No. 10,542,550; and

Whereas, VELLORE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Vellore-632014, Tamilnadu, INDIA (assignee), desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor,

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